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Monday, 3 February 2014

General Assembly

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

Working Group II (Arbitration and Conciliation)
Sixtieth session

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 1 (CB)
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 1 (CB)

General Assembly
Sixty-eighth session

Informal informal consultations on the intergovernmental process on strengthening and enhancing the effective functioning of the human rights treaty body system will take place on *Monday*, 3 February 2014, at 10:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB), and on Tuesday, 4 February, at 15:00, in Conference Room 2 (CB).

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 10 January 2014, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

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General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10 (CB)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10 (CB)

1. Third Progress Report on the accountability system in the United Nations Secretariat
2. Executive meeting

Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals
Eighth session

09:00 to 09:45 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal meeting, convened by the Co-chairs of the Open Working Group, with representatives of major groups and other stakeholders [webcast]

10:00 to 13:00 1st meeting [webcast] Trusteeship Council Chamber

Follow-up to the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, relating to a proposal for sustainable development goals [item 3]

Opening remarks by the Co-Chairs

Keynote addresses

Professor Jane Lubchenco, Oregon State University

Dr. Sylvia Earle, Oceanographer, Explorer-in-Residence, *National Geographic*

General interactive exchange of views on "Oceans and seas, forests, biodiversity"

15:00 to 18:00 2nd meeting [webcast] Trusteeship Council Chamber

Follow-up to the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, relating to a proposal for sustainable development goals [item 3]

Panel followed by interactive exchange of views "Oceans and seas, forests, biodiversity"

Panellists

Dr. Braulio F. de Souza Dias, Executive Secretary, Convention on Biological Diversity

Dr. Alfred Oteng- Yeboah, University of Ghana

Professor Virgilio Viana, CEO, Amazonas Sustainable Foundation

[The agenda of the Open Working Group, adopted on 14 March 2013, is contained in document A/AC.280/2013/1.]

[The list of side events on the occasion of the eighth session of the Open Working Group can be accessed by *clicking here*. For further information, including the draft programme of work, please *click here*. Delegations are encouraged to send their written statements to dsd@un.org, for posting on the Open Working Group website.]

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and Empowerment of Women

Executive Board of the World Food Programme
2014 Joint Meeting

10:00 to 13:00	1st meeting	Conference Room 3 (CB)
15:00 to 18:00	2nd meeting	Conference Room 3 (CB)

[Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements by e-mail to the PaperSmart Secretariat (papersmart *@* un.org), at least two hours in advance of their speaking slot. The intended agenda item should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be available by *clicking here* upon delivery. Delegations are also requested to provide 15 hard copies of official statements for interpretation and other services. Hard copies of statements will not be distributed during the session. Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices to be able to access the official documents and statements from the PaperSmart Portal.]

General Assembly

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations
Informal briefing

The Departments of Peacekeeping Operations and Field Support will provide an informal briefing (closed), to members of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations, on *Monday, 3 February 2014,* at 10:00, in Conference Room 2 (CB), on peacebuilding and transitions; and military capacities and capability driven approach.

Economic and Social Council

Commission for Social Development
Informal consultations

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Further implementation of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002", under item 3 (b) (iv) of the provisional agenda of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the Vice-Chair, Ms. Larysa Belskaya (Belarus), will take place on *Monday, 3 February 2014,* from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room C (CB).

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Thirty-fourth session

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf on *Monday, 3 February 2014*, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories (Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Other meetings

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Monday, 3 February 2014

Group of 77 (on the Commission for Social Development)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room C (CB)

Other activities

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Monday, 3 February 2014

Briefing on "WHO financing dialogue – Best practices and lessons learned" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden and the World Health Organization (WHO))

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 3 (CB). [webcast]

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Erik Ringborg, Permanent Mission of Sweden (e-mail erik.ringborg@gov.se; tel. 1 (212) 583-2513).]

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Monday, 3 February 2014

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

12:00 Press briefing by the Spokesperson

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-eighth session

For an updated tentative schedule of General Assembly plenary meetings, please *click here*.

Please note that there is no predetermined programme of work for formal and informal meetings of the plenary for the resumed part of the session (1 January–15 September 2014). Meetings will be announced in the *Journal* when they are scheduled. For inscription on the list of speakers, please call 1 (212) 963-5063 (room S-3082).

The agenda of the sixty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/68/251 (see A/68/252 for allocation of items). Annotations can be found in documents A/68/100 and A/68/100/Add.1. The revised programme of work and schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly during the main part of its sixty-eighth session was issued on 24 October 2013 in document A/INF/68/3/Rev.1.

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3872 (room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the Permanent Representative or Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/68/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org, or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

General Assembly

Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals

Informal consultations

The Co-Chairs of the Open Working Group will hold open, informal consultations on the way forward on Tuesday, 4 February 2014, at 18:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, as announced in their letter dated 17 January 2014 to the Permanent Representatives of Member States listed in Annex to General Assembly decision 67/555 and copied to all Permanent Representatives and Permanent Observers to the United Nations. To view this letter, please *click here*.

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

Informal briefings

The Departments of Peacekeeping Operations and Field Support will provide informal briefings (closed), to members of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations, as follows:

Tuesday, 4 February 2014, at 10:00, in Conference Room *2* (CB): on protection of civilians; and training;

Wednesday, 5 February 2014, at 10:00, in Conference Room 2 (CB): on child protection; and implementing a revised reimbursement framework as mandated by General Assembly Resolution 67/261;

Wednesday, 5 February 2014, at 15:00, in Conference Room 2 (CB): on helicopters; and

Thursday, 6 February 2014, at 15:00, in Conference Room 2 (CB): on use of modern technology; and partnerships.

2014 substantive session

The Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations will hold its 2014 substantive session from Monday, 24 February, to Friday, 21 March. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 24 February, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB).

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 51/136, "those Member States which become personnel contributors to United Nations peacekeeping operations in years to come or participate in the future in the Special Committee for three consecutive years as observers shall, upon request in writing to the Chair of the Committee, become members at the following session of the Committee". Member States wishing to submit such a request should address the request in advance of the session to the Chair of the Special Committee, Her Excellency U. Joy Ogwu (Permanent Mission of Nigeria (fax 1 (212) 697-1970)) and are kindly requested to send a copy of any such request to the secretariat (e-mail herity@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

States not members of the Special Committee and organizations/entities with observer status in the General Assembly that wish to send observers to this session of the Special Committee should send a request to the Chair of the Special Committee, Her Excellency U. Joy Ogwu (Permanent Mission of Nigeria, fax 1 (212) 697-1970) and are kindly requested to send a copy of any such request to the secretariat (e-mail herity@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Pre-session documents

The provisional agenda of the session is contained in A/AC.121/2014/L.1 and the draft programme of work is contained in A/AC.121/2014/L.2. The report of the Secretary-General on the Implementation of the recommendations of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations is contained in document A/68/652* and posted on the Web site of the Special Committee (www.c34.unlb.org). Other documents of the session will also be posted on the site.

List of participants

Members and observers of the Special Committee who wish to be included in the list of participants should communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Special Committee, Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail herity@un.org; room S-3064; fax

1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the general debate (24-25 February) is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed in the list should contact the secretariat (Mr. Martin Vrastiak (e-mail vrastiak@un.org; fax 1 (917) 963-5305)). In light of the limited time available, in accordance with past practice, delegations are encouraged to limit their statements to *10 minutes* when speaking in their national capacity and to *20 minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group of countries. In order to facilitate interpretation, delegations are kindly requested to provide at least 30 copies of statements to the secretariat.

Website

Background information on the Special Committee is available and accessible to Committee members and observers at www.c34.unlb.org. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords or inclusion in the Committee mailing list, kindly contact Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org).

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

The 265th meeting (closed) of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be held on Thursday, 6 February 2014, at 10:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB). Delegations of Member States and observers that wish to attend as observers should indicate their desire to do so in advance to the Secretary of the Committee, Ms. Brigitte Benoit Landale (email benoit-landale@un.org, room S-3626; fax 1 (212) 963 6430). The meeting will not be open to members of the press or the public. Delegations of Member States are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee may be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, para. 5). Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary of the Committee any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples
Organizational meeting

The first organizational meeting of the 2014 session of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples will be held on Thursday, 20 February 2014, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB). Documents to be considered by the Special Committee at its organizational meeting are contained in A/AC.109/2014/L.1 and A/AC.109/2014/L.2.

Permanent missions are kindly requested to communicate to Ms. Jullyette Ukabiala, Secretary of the Special Committee (c/o Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0388; room S-3063; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)) the names of the representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Special Committee in 2014.

Preparatory Committee for the Third International Conference on Small Island Developing States

The Preparatory Committee will meet from Monday, 24 to Wednesday, 26 February 2014, at United Nations Headquarters in New York, to discuss the objectives and substantive theme of the Conference and organizational and procedural matters, including the rules of procedure, and to elect the Bureau, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 68/238 of 27 December 2013. The annotated provisional agenda of the Preparatory Committee will be issued as document A/CONF.223/PC/1. Additional information on the Preparatory Committee is available from the Conference website: www.sids2014.org.

Committee on Contributions

Seventy-fourth session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-fourth session at Headquarters from Monday, 2, to Friday, 20 June 2014.

The attention of any Member State intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member State to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 16 May 2014*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 67/238. Any Member State intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf

Thirty-fourth session

There will be closed plenary meetings of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf, from Monday, 10 to Friday, 14 February 2014, and from Monday, 10 to Friday, 14 March 2014, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Economic and Social Council

Substantive session of 2014

Operational activities segment (24 - 26 February 2014)
[Item 6 and sub-items (a) and (b) of the provisional agenda]

The 2014 operational activities segment, chaired by the Vice-President of the Council, His Excellency Carlos Enrique García González (El Salvador), will be held from Monday, 24 to Wednesday, 26 February 2014.

The first meeting will be held on Monday, 24 February, at 10:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

The programme of the operational activities segment as well as the information regarding side events during the segment will be made available on the following website: www.un.org/en/ecosoc.

General discussion and list of speakers

The general discussion on agenda item 6 of the provisional agenda, will be held on Wednesday morning, 26 February. Requests for inscription on the list of speakers should be sent, in writing, with the full name and title of the speaker, to the secretariat of the Council (Ms. Jacqueline Aidenbaum, e-mail aidenbaum@un.org, room S-1271; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Inscriptions to the list of speakers will close at 17:00 on Tuesday, 25 February. The time limit set for statements under the segment is *seven minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *five minutes* for individual delegations.

Commission for Social Development

Informal consultations

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Mainstreaming disability in the development agenda: towards 2015 and beyond", under item 3 (b) of the provisional agenda of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the Chair, will take place on Tuesday, 4 February 2014, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room C (CB).

Fifty-second session

The fifty-second session of the Commission for Social Development will be held from Tuesday, 11, to Friday, 21 February 2014. The opening meeting will take place on Tuesday, 11 February, at 10:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB). The provisional annotated agenda and the proposed organization of work are contained in document E/CN.5/2014/1. For further information on the fifty-second and previous sessions of the Commission, please *click here*.

Participation and seating arrangements

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to participate, are requested to inform the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Radhika Ochalik, of the composition of their delegations (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Due to the limited number of seats available for observers (including Member States that are not members of the Commission) in Conference Room 4 (NLB), only observers who will communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat, *by Friday, 7 February 2014*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of the conference room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Delegations should contact the secretariat regarding accessibility requirements, *as soon as possible* (e-mail doultonf@un.org).

General discussion and list of speakers

General discussion under item 3 (a) of the provisional agenda (Priority theme: Promoting empowerment of people in achieving poverty eradication, social integration and full employment and decent work for all) will begin on Tuesday, 11 February 2014, following the opening of the session. The general discussion under item 3 (b) (Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups) will begin on Thursday, 13 February 2014, in the morning. For further details, please consult the proposed organization of work in Annex I to document E/CN.5/2014/1.

The lists of speakers are open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the lists should contact, *in writing*, to Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org).

Delegations are reminded that, according to past practice, statements made by individual Member States should not exceed *seven minutes*, statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*, and statements made by observers should not exceed *five minutes*.

Statements and PaperSmart arrangements

A minimum of 30 copies of the statement should be provided by delegations to conference services staff in the room.

Delegates are informed that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the fifty-second session of the Commission.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail.

The statements will be made available on the Commission PaperSmart portal (*click here*) only after delivery by delegations.

Participation of non-governmental organizations

To consult comprehensive information on the participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission, please *click here*.

List of side events

The list of side events on the occasion of the fifty-second session of the Commission will be accessible by *clicking here*.

Commission on the Status of Women

Informal briefing

The Chair-designate of the Commission on the Status of Women, His Excellency Libran N. Cabactulan (Philippines), will hold a second informal briefing to provide updates on the preparations for the fifty-eighth session of the Commission on Friday, 7 February 2014, from 15:00 to 17:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

The briefing will be followed by a presentation of the draft agreed conclusions by the Vice-Chair of the Commission, Ms. Christine Löw (Switzerland). All interested delegations, representatives of non-governmental organizations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

Fifty-eighth session

The fifty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women will be held from Monday, 10, to Friday, 21 March 2014. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 10 March, at 10:00, in the General Assembly Hall (NLB). The provisional annotated agenda and proposed organization of work for the session are contained in documents E/CN.6/2014/1 and E/CN.6/2014/1/Add.1, respectively.

Additional information on the work of the Commission, including the list of side events, can be found on the following website: www.unwomen.org/en/csw/csw58-2014.

Participation and seating arrangements

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to participate, are requested to inform the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Otto Gustafik, of the composition of their delegations (c/o Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mails duap@un.org and gustafik@un.org; room S-1291; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Due to the limited number of seats available for observers in Conference Room 2 (CB), only observers who will communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat *by Thursday, 6 March 2014*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor in the conference room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

List of speakers and general discussion

The list of speakers for the general discussion will be opened on Tuesday, 18 February 2014. Requests for inscription on the list of speakers should be sent, *in writing*, with the full name and the title of the speaker, to the secretariat of the Commission (Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail leonc@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Delegations are kindly requested to indicate the level of representation when inscribing on the list of speakers.

General discussion of agenda item 3 (Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century") will begin on Monday, 10 March, in the morning, following the ceremonial and organizational part and introductory statements, and will continue all day on Tuesday, 11 March; and on Thursday, 13, Monday, 17 and Thursday, 20 March (for more details, please consult the organization of work (E/CN.6/2014/1/Add.1)).

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with the past practice, statements made by individual delegations should not exceed *five minutes*, and statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*.

Statements and PaperSmart arrangements

A minimum of 30 copies of the statement should be provided by delegations to conference services staff in the room.

Delegates are informed that PaperSmart services will be offered as an additional service for the fifty-eighth session of the Commission.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart3@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail.

The statements will be made available on the Commission PaperSmart portal (link to be provided in due course) only after delivery by delegations.

High-level round table

The Commission will hold a high-level round table on the priority theme "Challenges and achievements in the implementation of the Millennium Development Goals for women and girls", on Monday, 10 March 2014, at 15:00, in two parallel meetings in Conference Room 2 (CB) and in Conference Room 1 (CB). Delegations are kindly requested to communicate the name and the level of the government-position of the senior official expected to participate in the high-level round table to the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail leonc@un.org; room S-1284; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Participation of non-governmental organizations

Comprehensive information on the participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission has been posted at: www.unwomen.org/en/csw/ngo-participation.

Reports of relevant special procedures of the Human Rights Council brought to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women

As requested in relevant resolutions, the reports by the relevant special procedures of the Human Rights Council are brought to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women at its fifty-eighth session and can be accessed by *clicking here*.

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

First regular session

The 2014 first regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from Tuesday, 4, to Friday, 7 February 2014, in Conference Room 3 (CB). The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2014/1*. Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available at the UNICEF Executive Board website (*click here*). Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to submit their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF, (e-mail harai@unicef.org; fax 1 (212) 326-7096).

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

The upcoming 2014 first regular session will be a PaperSmart session of the UNICEF Executive Board. Instead of distributing hardcopies in the conference room, all documentation will be available for downloading electronically through the 'Documents' webpage of the Executive Board website. In addition, the UNICEF Executive Board homepage will provide a link to the UNICEF Executive Board PaperSmart portal that will make available all supporting in-session documentation (presentations, statements, etc.) to the individual meetings.

Delegations planning to present statements at the session are kindly requested to submit electronic versions to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board (Attn: Mr. Dillon Leano (e-mail dleano@unicef.org)). The intended agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. These statements will remain embargoed until delivery of the statement and then posted to the UNICEF Executive Board PaperSmart portal. Delegations are further requested to bring 15 hard copies of their statements to the conference officers for interpretation.

A printing-on-demand service will be made available to members of the Executive Board and observer delegations upon request, with a dedicated desk set up for this in the conference room. Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meeting in order to access electronically the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart portal.

Preparatory Committee for the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons
Third session

The third session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) will be held from Monday, 28 April to Friday, 9 May 2014, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The first meeting of the third session will begin on Monday, 28 April, at 10:00.

The United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs has prepared an information note for States parties, observer States and intergovernmental organizations, contained in document NPT/CONF.2015/PC.III/INF/1.

Further information for participants will be made available, in due course, in the *Journal* and on the website of the third session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2015 NPT Review Conference (*click here*).

Forthcoming other meetings

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Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Legal Matters (at the expert level)

Tuesday, 4 February 2014, from 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room B (CB).

Forthcoming other activities

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Panel discussion on "Healthy oceans and seas: A way forward" (co-organized the Permanent Missions of Italy and Palau, the Global Partnerships Forum and the Sustainable Oceans Alliance, in cooperation with the Department of Public Information (DPI))

Tuesday 4 February 2014, at 16:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Carlo Annunziata, Permanent Mission of Italy (e-mail sec.italyun@esteri.it; tel. 1 (646) 840-5353); or *click here*.]

Special event on "Engaging Religions in the Prevention of Atrocity Crimes" (on the occasion of the World Interfaith Harmony Week) (co-organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide, the United Religions Initiative, the Partnership for Global Justice and the Department of Public Information (DPI))

Wednesday, 5 February 2014, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 2 (CB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. To register, please *click here*. For further information, please contact Ms. Martina Donlon, DPI (e-mail donlon@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6816).]

Workshop on "Intellectual property and sustainable development" (co-organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO))

Thursday, 6 February 2014, from 09:30 to 17:45, in Conference Room DC2-2525; and

Friday, 7 February 2014, from 09:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room DC2-2525.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For registration, please *click here*. For further information, contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

Interactive briefing between the President of the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly and civil society (organized by the Office of the President of the General Assembly, in collaboration with the NGO Branch, Office of ECOSOC Support and Coordination (OESC), Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), the United Nations Non-Governmental Liaison Service (UN-NGLS) and NGO Relations, Department of Public Information (DPI))

Thursday, 6 February 2014, from 13:15 to 14:30, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[All permanent missions, permanent observer missions and non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council or associated with DPI are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Office of the President of the General Assembly (Ms. Tala Dowlatshahi, e-mail dowlatshahi@un.org).]

Briefing on the Report of the Secretary-General entitled "Follow-up to General Assembly resolution 66/290 on human security" (A/68/685) (organized by the Office of the Special Adviser of the Secretary-General on Human Security)

Friday, 7 February 2014, from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room 2 (CB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Huw Beynon, Human Security Unit, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) (e-mail beynon@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9802).]

Open Meeting of the Group of Friends of the Alliance of Civilizations (organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations)

Friday, 14 February 2014, from 10:00 to 13:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Anna Pavlyuchenko, United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (e-mail annap@unops.org; tel. 1 (212) 457-1810).]

Workshop on "Negotiations Training: Leveling the Playing Field" (organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR))

Thursday, 20 February 2014, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room E (NLB); and

Friday, 21 February 2014, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room E (NLB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For registration please, *click here*. For further information, contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

Workshop on "Mainstreaming Education for Democracy" (organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR))

Monday, 24 February 2014, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For registration, please *click here*. For further information, contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

General Assembly

Preparatory Committee for the Third World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction
United Nations Office at Geneva

The Preparatory Committee will hold its first session from Monday, 14 to Tuesday 15, July 2014, at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, to review the organizational and substantive preparations for the Conference, approve the programme of work of the Conference, and propose rules of procedure for adoption by the Conference, and to elect the Bureau, pursuant to resolution 68/211 of 20 December 2013 (currently available in document A/68/438/Add.3, paragraph 7). Regional groups are invited to nominate two States each for the Bureau of the Preparatory Committee, pursuant to the said resolution. Nominations should be submitted, *in writing*, by each regional group to the Inter-Agency Secretariat of the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (UNISDR) (e-mail palm@un.org) *by Friday, 14 February 2014*. A letter from Ms. Margareta Wahlström, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction, dated 2 January 2014, was sent to the Chairs of the regional groups.

Announcements

Yearbook of the United Nations

The sixty-third volume of the *Yearbook of the United Nations*, covering all major areas of United Nations work in 2009, was published last month by the Department of Public Information. A copy for each Permanent Mission is available for pick-up on the ground floor of the North Lawn Building (NLB) (former Conference Room 3).

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2014 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

International Law Commission Trust Fund

Pursuant to paragraph 21 of General Assembly 62/66 resolution, the Secretary-General in 2008 established a Trust Fund to accept voluntary contributions so as eliminate the backlog of the *Yearbook of the International Law Commission*. Under paragraph 26 of its resolution 68/112, the General Assembly expressed its appreciation to Governments that have made voluntary contributions to the Trust Fund and encouraged further contributions to the Trust Fund. In accordance with the terms of reference of the trust

fund, voluntary contributions may be received from Governments, intergovernmental and nongovernmental organizations, private institutions and individuals. A circular letter has been issued to Governments through their Permanent missions. Should additional information be required on the Trust Fund, please contact Ms. Marianne Sooksatan (e-mail sooksatan@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5331).

Cancellation of the United Nations Regional Courses in International Law for Asia-Pacific and for Latin America and the Caribbean, 2014

The United Nations Regional Courses in International Law for Asia-Pacific and for Latin America and the Caribbean that were scheduled to take place in 2014 have been cancelled due to lack of funding.

For additional information or inquiries, please contact Ms. Virginia Morris, Principal Legal Officer, Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs (e-mail morrisv@un.org).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all states parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of states parties will take place in 2014:

Thirty-third Meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (18 February 2014): extraordinary election to replace one member of the Human Rights Committee who resigned (*click here* for general information);

Seventh session of the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (10-12 June 2014): election to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities whose terms expire on 31 December 2014 (*click here* for general information);

Thirty-fourth Meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (24 June 2014): election to replace nine members of the Human Rights Committee whose terms expire on 31 December 2014, and extraordinary election to replace one Member of the Committee who resigned (*click here* for general information);

Fifteenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (25 June 2014): election to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of the Child whose terms expire on 28 February 2015 (*click here* for general information); and

Eighteenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (26 June 2014): election to replace twelve members of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women whose terms expire on 31 December 2014 (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States Parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting in question.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities only should be submitted to the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) (Attn: Mr. Guozhong Zhang (e-mail zhangg@un.org; room S-2906)). Original copies of credentials and names of delegates, duly signed by the head of state or government or foreign minister, for all other meetings should be submitted to the New York Office of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn: Mr. Nenad Vasić (e-mail vasic@un.org; room S-1309)).

Details on the procedures for the nomination of candidates for each of these elections will be communicated to States parties via notes verbales from OHCHR Geneva.

For any clarifications on these elections, please see Candiweb, consult OHCHR's guide on treaty body elections (*click here*), or contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292). For clarifications regarding the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities *not related to the elections*, please contact DESA.

Online reservation system for side events for the fifty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) is pleased to announce that the online reservation system for side events for the fifty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women is open. Permanent Missions and United Nations entities may access the system by *clicking here*. For enquiries, please send an e-mail to csw.sideevents@unwomen.org.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions, in room DC2-1142, for the months of *January* and *February*:

Security Council Documentation

Introduction to United Nations Documents

Overview of the Legal Library

Researching from United Nations databases: United Nations Bibliographic Information System (UNBISnet), Official Document System (ODS) and United Nations-Info-Quest (UN-I-QUE)

Finding Speeches

Country and Map Resources for the United Nations Community

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing Library Training Calendar (www.un.libcal.com).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999

Objection to the reservation made by Kuwait upon accession: Netherlands (31 January 2014)

Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights. New York, 10 December 2008

Ratification: Finland (31 January 2014)

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *February 2014* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Guinea
His Excellency Mamadi Touré

Asia-Pacific States:
Thailand
His Excellency Norachit Sinhaseni

Eastern European States:
Albania
His Excellency Ferit Hoxha

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Brazil
His Excellency Antonio de Aguiar Patriota

Western European and other States:
Norway
His Excellency Geir O. Pedersen

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Office of the President of the Council (e-mailed Dpa-Scsb3@un.org; room S-2472; fax 1 (917) 367-0406). For queries, please call to 1 (212) 963-5258.

Website of the presidency

The website of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

Unscheduled meetings

Information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by clicking on "Programme of work" on the website of the Security Council at www.un.org/en/sc; or by calling to 1 (212) 963-5258.

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Room Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room S-0220).

Information regarding the Journal of the United Nations

The *Journal of the United Nations* is issued daily in English and in French. During the main part of the General Assembly session (September to December), it is also issued in Arabic, Chinese, Russian, and Spanish.

Kindly take note that the English and French versions of the *Journal* are accessible to blind and visually impaired users via screen readers.

Back issues of the *Journal*, in English and French, can be accessed at the following addresses: www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp and www.un.org/fr/documents/journal.asp.

All comments and suggestions about the *Journal* are welcome. Kindly contact the office of the *Journal* at journal@un.org.

Emergency information and updates

Emergency information and updates can be obtained on the United Nations Headquarters Emergency Information website at delegateinfo.un.int. The website also offers the option of subscription to e-mail alerts. In addition, a hotline number for updates during weather emergencies or other urgent situations can be accessed by calling 1 (212) 963-9800.

Let United Nations documents come to you: e-subscription

A simple and fast alternate way to access United Nations parliamentary documents electronically is available through the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management's e-subscription service at www.undocs.org. Based on RSS feeds (Really Simple Syndication), the latest edition of the *Journal* and parliamentary documents issued daily at Headquarters can be accessed readily on a computer or hand-held smart device.

Sign-up is free and easy by visiting the e-subscription page at www.undocs.org. An overview of all documents with the options "e-mail" or "RSS" next to each document category is located there. After sign-up, documents will be sent to the subscriber via e-mail as soon as they are made available. Comments, questions and suggestions are invited to be sent to dgacm-feedback@un.org.

Touch screen information kiosks

The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) invites delegations and staff to use the two touch screen information kiosks located in the North Lawn Building to access the official meeting schedule, the *Journal of the United Nations*, the Delegates' Handbook, the Blue Book and the United Nations Staff Yellow Pages, as well as Headquarters and Conference Room Maps. These easy to use kiosks are located on the ground floor just after the First Avenue entrance security checkpoint and on the second floor next to the Café. DGACM welcomes feedback, questions or comments pertaining to the information kiosks, which can be addressed to dgacm-feedback@un.org.

Websites

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United Nations Treaty Collection
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www.un.org/law/avl

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www.un.org/depts/dhl/

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United Nations Press Releases
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With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations http://documents.un.org in the electronic version of the present Journal.

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Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

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Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women

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Material for inclusion in the *Journal* should be addressed to the attention of Ms. Lilian Delgado (e-mail journal@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3888 and 963-0493; Room CB-0304 (Conference Building)).

The *deadline* to submit material for the *Journal* issue of the next day is *18:30 for the programme of meetings*, and *19:00 for the summaries*. The announcements to be published in the "Forthcoming other activities" section, should be sent before *18:00* at least two days in advance.

The office of the Journal Unit opens at 15:00.

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